## **CHAPTER NO. 901**

## **SENATE BILL NO. 3049**

## By Person

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2777

By Buck

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, relative to taxes imposed upon litigation.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-602, is amended by adding a new subsection (g):

(g) In addition to any other tax levied by this chapter, there is levied an additional privilege tax on litigation of one dollar (\$1.00) on all criminal cases instituted in this state. Notwithstanding the provisions of 67-4-606, all revenue derived from such tax shall be deposited in the state general fund and earmarked for grants to local governments for the purchase and maintenance of and line charges for electronic fingerprint imaging systems. These grants shall be awarded and administered by the Office of Criminal Justice in the Department of Finance and Administration. The General Assembly may appropriate a portion of the earmarked funds derived herein to the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation for the purchase, installation, maintenance, and line charges for electronic fingerprint imaging systems. Prior to the purchase of any electronic fingerprint imaging system, a law enforcement agency or local government shall obtain certification from the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation that such equipment is compatible with the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Investigation's integrated automated fingerprint identification system.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: April 23, 1998** 

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
OUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 1998